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on Select File, in Enrollment and Review, Initial, Select File engrossment or Final Reading. We might come back the next year and have a bill on Final Reading the first day. Now, let's all understand each other. Everything is alive until next year.

PRESIDENT: All right. Now. All those in favor of that motion, then, of Senator Warner as explained by several discussions vote aye. All those opposed vote no. Once again, have you all voted? Just to be safe, I need one more vote. Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: I believe right now all you need is a majority of those voting. You're amending now. You are not adopting a Rule.

PRESIDENT: Ya, but it is an amendment for a Rule change and the chair is going to hold that it would need 30 votes and I have them anyway.

SENATOR DUIS: You've got it. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: All right. The clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, 19 not voting. OK, the Rule change is adopted. Now, Senator Duis, back to you.

SENATOR DUIS: That's all the Rule changes for today. Now, for today, remember this is going to be the longest lunch hour you ever went out for, this seven months, because you are going to come right back to work. Yes.

CLERK: There is one more, here, that's #5 rejects, Maresh amendment to dispose of.

PRESIDENT: One more.

SENATOR DUIS: I beg your pardon, of course, we haven't passed this Rule change yet. We merely amended it, is all. I think now we need to vote. The first thing we had better do here, if you don't mind, is that the Committee, then, reject the Senator Maresh amendment. Now, if Senator Maresh, would like to get up and really go here, he can because this would have amended the same Rule, but there was a rejection of his Rule change.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to further amend the Rule change by using the first part of my Rule change, "Bills, except Governor's bills, still held in Committee," and change it to, "after the Fiftieth Day in regular session of even-numbered years shall be considered indefinitely postponed." In other words, if the bill is not on the floor by the fiftieth day in a sixty day session, it would be indefinitely postponed, although each member would have with 30 votes he could get it out on the floor.

PRESIDENT: All right, is there further discussion of that amendment now to the Rule change. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: If I understand it, this would directly reverse what we just did, which permitted a bill to be held by Committee. Now, they are all going to be dead at the fiftieth day.

PRESIDENT: Senator Maresh...

SENATOR WARNER: Only the short session. Oh, I'm (inaudible).

PRESIDENT: Senator Maresh, don't carry on a dialogue because the body can't hear that. Go ahead.